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SUBJECT: SOVIET-AFGHANISTAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT

REFS: (A) MOSCOW 5177, (B) KABUL 2656 ✓

1. AFGHAN DCM M.S. DANESJHO CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF THAT
RECENTLY-SIGNED SOVIET-AFGHANISTAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION
AGREEMENT IS INDEED A FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT BUT THAT NO NEW
SOVIET AID PROJECTS WERE AGREED UPON DURING VISIT. WHEN
ASKED WHY SUCH A FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED NOW, GIVEN
LONG HISTORY OF SOVIET AID PROJECTS IN AFGHANISTAN,
DANESJHO RELATED IT TO PRESENT AFGHAN SEVEN-YEAR PLAN AND
FOLLOWING FIVE-YEAR PLAN, WHICH HE STATED ARE AIMED AT
COMPLETION OF ON-GOING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, SOME OF WHICH
DATE BACK TO FIRST AFGHAN FIVE-YEAR PLAN. DANESJHO SEEMED
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TO IMPLY, WITHOUT EXPLICITLY SAYING SO, THAT AFGHANS HOPE

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TO HAVE SOVIETS CONCENTRATE ON COMPLETING PRESENT PROJECTS
BEFORE UNDERTAKING NEW ONES.

2. IN SPEAKING OF SOVIET AID PROJECTS WHICH ARE ALREADY
UNDERWAY OR AT LEAST AGREED UPON, DANESJHO MENTIONED OIL
REFINERY. HE SAID AFGHANS HAVE NOT YET DECIDED WHETHER TO
CONSTRUCT PERMANENT OR MOBILE REFINERY BUT DECISION HAD BEEN
MADE TO CONSTRUCT A REFINERY IN NEAR FUTURE. TOON

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